Continuing Education for Oirectors and Administrators

The Idaho Commission for Libraries supports the professional development of library directors, managers, or administrators of Idaho publicly-funded libraries through continuing education grants. Grants are available for conferences or courses that provide leadership and professional development which builds capacity of the individual to deliver relevant library services.

In addition, library directors, managers, and administrators are encouraged to use continuing education grants to support the professional development of their staff members, thereby increasing the library's capacity to serve its clientele.

How To Get Started

- 1. Review the application materials at libraries.idaho.gov/lsta.
- Contact Shirley Biladeau to confirm that the conference or learning activity qualifies and to clarify the application process.
- 3. Applications are due 50 calendar days before the CE event.
- If event is not on the pre-approved event list, submit request for consideration 70 calendar days in advance of CE event.

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Continuing Education Grants for Directors and Administrators





Continuing Education Grants

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Conference Grant

Supports first-time attendance at a major state, regional, or national library conference held outside a 50-mile radius of their library locale. Directors or Administrators may request consideration of non-library conferences not on the current pre-approved library events list.

Pre-Approved Library Events List at http://libraries.idaho.gov/lsta

Professional Development Grant

Supports a library employee to attend university or college-level library science courses or other professional development opportunities; 25% local match required.

Group Grant

Supports the professional development needs of large-group CE activities.

Partnership among libraries is encouraged; 25% local match required.

How to Qualify

Idaho publicly-funded libraries may apply for grants to support individual or group continuing education (CE) activities throughout the year. Activities must support one of ICfL's strategic issues for library development: Access, Literacy, or Community Anchor.

To determine whether the activity and/or your library is eligible to apply for a CE grant, check out page 4 of the CE Grant Guide found at

http://libraries.idaho.gov/lsta

What's New

There are new criteria for individuals and libraries who wish to apply for a continuing education grant.

- One 1st-Time Conference Attendee grant per individual per state fiscal year.
- Applications must be submitted 50 days in advance of the event.

Check out the details at:

http://libraries.idaho.gov/blogs/icflcontinuing-education-grants-whats-new

Annual events to consider attending or supporting staff attendance:

American Association of School Librarians

http://www.ala.org/aasl/conferences/national

American Library Association

http://www.ala.org/conferencesevents

Association of College and Research Libraries

http://www.ala.org/acrl/conferences

Association of Library Services to Children

http://www.ala.org/alsc/institute

Association of Rural and Small Libraries

http://arsl.info/

Idaho Library Association

http://www.idaholibraries.org/conferences

Internet Librarian

http://www.infotoday.com

Pacific Northwest Library Association

http://www.pnla.org

Public Library Association

http://www.ala.org/pla/education

More information can be found at http://libraries.idaho.gov/lsta